

AGENDA (REVISED)

CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 1:00 PM

Department of Public Health

410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT

Conference Room F – 2nd Floor.

CALL TO ORDER

I. MINUTES

Review and approval of the minutes from December 5, 2007.

II. CHAIR UPDATES

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

IV. PROVISIONAL LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Felipe Ordonez-Caro, DDS

Khamis A. Hassan, DDS

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Edward Kardys, DDS – Petition No. 2008-0103-002-003

Presentation of Consent Order – Stanley Peck, Director, Legal Office, DPH

B. George Mantikas, DDS – Petition No. 2005-0328-002-022

Presentation of Consent Order – Roberta Swafford, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Douglas Macko, DMD – Petition No. 2002-0516-002-034

Oral Argument on Proposed Memorandum of Decision

ADJOURN

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
December 5, 2007**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting on December 5, 2007, at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room F, Second Floor, Hartford, Connecticut.

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| COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: | Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson Lance Banwell, DDS Elliot S. Berman, DDS Robert Friedman, DDS Peter Katz, DMD Lisa Liegeot Merrill Marks Steven Reiss, DDS Barbara Ulrich |
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| COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: | None |
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Dr. Strathearn called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the September 5, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved

II. Legal Office Business

A. Robert Villanova, DMD - Petition No. 2006-0810-002-059

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Request to Dismiss Petition in the matter of Robert Villanova, DMD. Dr. Villanova was present with Attorney Richard Brown. Dr. Katz made a motion recommending that the Department of Public Health dismiss Petition No. 2006-0810-002-059. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Gary Lessin, DDS – Petition Nos. 2005-0812-002-062; 2006-0912-002-066

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges in the matter of Gary Lessin, DDS, based on Dr. Lessin's agreement not to renew or reinstate his license. Neither Dr. Lessin nor his attorney was present. Dr. Friedman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to grant the Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the order.

C. Marc Craig, DMD – Petition No. 2005-0509-002-037

Roberta Swafford, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Marc Craig, DMD. Dr. Craig was present but not represented. Dr. Friedman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Reiss, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the order.

III. Old Business

Foreign Trained Dentists

Assistant Attorney General, Daniel Shapiro provided an update from a previous inquiry by the Commission. Attorney Shapiro stated that pursuant to § 20-107C of the General Statutes, the Department of Public Health may issue a license to a foreign trained dentist provided the applicant has met the requirements set forth in the statutes and holds a diploma from a dental college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Dr. Strathearn commented that only Canadian dental schools are accredited by CODA.

IV. Department of Public Health Updates

A. Connecticut Mission of Mercy

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigation reported that The Connecticut Foundation for Dental Outreach will be holding the Connecticut Mission of Mercy at Tolland High School in April 2008. The program provides care to patients who cannot access or afford dental care. A number of out of state dentists have indicated an interest in participating in this event. The Department and the Connecticut State Dental Association are working to propose legislation that would allow out of state dentists to participate without a current Connecticut license.

B. North East Regional Board

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigation reported that the Department of Public Health will recommend individuals to serve as potential examiners for the Dental Hygiene Examination.

C. Teeth Whitening/Bleaching

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigation reported that the Department of Public Health is reviewing a request from a vendor who wants to set up a client administered whitening service in malls. The Department will seek input from the Commission if necessary.

V. Chair Updates

Dr. Strathearn mentioned that the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals (HAVEN) established pursuant to Public Act 07-103 is up and running. The program will provide assistance for health care professionals suffering from chemical dependency and/or impairment issues

VI. New Business

Regulations - License Renewal For Retired Dentists

Draft regulations pertaining to retired dentists were presented by Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigation for review by the Commission.

There was no comment from the Commission for or against the proposed draft.

VII. ADJOURN

Dr. Reiss made motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
Connecticut State Dental Commission